

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 132

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING OF A LOBSTER RESTORATION PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Department of
- 2 Environmental Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
- 3 the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to establish a
- 4 lobster restoration program to increase the population of legal sized
- 5 lobsters in state waters. Such program shall provide that female
- 6 lobsters taken by commercial methods be marked with a v-shaped
- 7 notch in the tail and that such notched lobsters not be harvested.
- 8 Sec. 2. (Effective July 1, 2005) The sum of five hundred thousand
- 9 dollars is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
- 10 Protection, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30,
- 2006, for the purpose of implementing the lobster restoration program
- 12 established pursuant to section 1 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1 from passage	New section
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Sec. 2	July 1, 2005	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish and fund a program to restore the Long Island Sound lobster fishery.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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